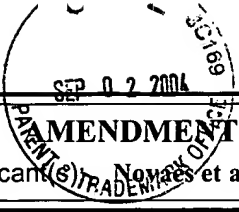


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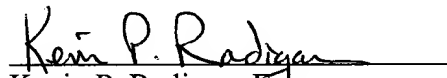
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**Response to Final Office Action**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed responsive to the final Office Action mailed July 2, 2004, in  
connection with the above-designated application. Applicants respectfully request  
reconsideration of the rejections for the reasons set forth herein.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.